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Hongkong, 1st February, 1863.

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" HOME: NEWS." TAVING been appointed AGENT for the above Newspaper, I am now prepared to deliver Copies to Subscribers. Subscription, Twelve Do JAMES GARDINER

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Hongkong, March 15, 1864.

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12th May, 1864.

P. & O. S. N. Co's NOTICES.

STEAM TO SWATOW, AMOY, AND FUHCHAU. THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steam-ship "ADEN," will leave for the above Places TO-MORROW, the 23d instant, at 9 A.M. THOs. SUTHERLAND

Superintendent. Hongkong, February 21, 1866.

STEAM TO SHANGHAE AND YOKOHAMA. HEP. & O.S. N. Co.'s Steam-ship "GANGES," will leave for the above Places TO-MORROW. the 23d instant, at 9 A.M.

THOS. SUTHERLAND, Superintendent. Hongkong, February 23, 1866.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s NOTICES.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE "ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA, MARSEILLES, AND SOUTHAMPTON;

BOMBAY, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA. THE PENINGULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVI Captain RIARE with Hen Majesty's Maile Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this for the above Places on THURSDAY, the 1st March, at 2 P.M.

CARGO willbe received on board until 3 P.M. on the 27th February, SPECIE until Noon on th 28th; and PARCELS until 5 P.M. on the 27th. CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES ARE

REQUIRED. A Written Declaration of the Contents and Value of the Packages for the Overland Route required by the Egyptian Government, and must be delivered by the Shipper to the Company's Agents with the Bills of Lading or with Parcels, and the Company do not hold themselves responsible for an detention or prejudice which may happen ron incorrectness on such declaration.

* * Shippers of Cargo on the Company's BLAC Billof Lading, are particularly requested to noteth Terms and Conditions of these Bills of Lading, with reference to the transhipment and forwarding Cargo, with a view to the adequateness of their In surance Policies in respectof the same. For particulars regarding Freight and Passage apply at the P. & C. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong. THOS. SUTHERLAND.

Superintendent. Hongkong, February 16, 1866.

NOTICE. THE following Packages are still unclaimed and are lying in the P. & O. Co.'s Parce

Hongkong, February 5, 1866.

Room at the disk of the Consignees, who are re quested to take immediate delivery. Box Baggage. Captain Jackson, From Southampton,—

C. (in diamond), W. & Co., I Box Medicines. & G. (in triangle), 533, . 1 Box Umbrellas. From Marseilles.— 2 Bxs. Druggs.

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Per A agnotia, 20th September, 1865. H. L. & Co. 26/35, 10 Cases.

Hongkong, February 5, 1866.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY. NOTICE TO SHIPPERS OF TREASURE 130 facilitate the work of Shippers, the Compans

have arranged to receive any Treasure intended for Shipment in their Steamers at their Offices in the Queen's Road. Treasure will be received in this manner any day between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M., up to

the day preceeding that of the Steamer's departure. Should the hour fixed for leaving be later than Noon, shipments will be received on the day of departure, from 7 to 9 A.M. Shippers desiring to avail of this arrangement will please send along with their Treasure, Shipping Orders and Receipts carefully filled up with Marks, Description, and Destination, and if the Bills of Lading are delivered at the same time the work will

be greatly facilitated. The company of course except the "risk of boats," &c., as covered by ordinary Marine Insurance.

With reference to the foregoing notice, it is hereby intimated that the Company's Godowns are now ready for the reception of Opium and other Cargo for shipment in the Company's Steamers, under the same condition as stated above. THOS. SUTHERLAND,

Superintendent. Hongkong, is August, 1864.

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THE Allotment of Shares will take place on the 4th day of October next, and further Applications for Shares will be received until the 3rd of Application to be made in the form given below,

and addressed to the General Agents, from whom any information can be obtained.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SHARES. To the General Agents of ... THE CHINA TRADERS' MARINE INSURANCE SOCIETY OF HONGRONG, LIMITED.

GRNTLEMEN, —I hereby request that the Commitshares in the above Company, and I agree to accept such shares, or any less number which may be allotted to me, and to pay the first call of One thousand Dollars per Share, and further calls to such amount and at such times and in such manner as may be authorised by the Articles of Association of the said Company, and to subscribe the Articles of Association when called on to do so.

I am, Gentlemen, Your Obedient Servant. Hongkong, September 7, 1865.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 22ND FEBRUARY, 1866.

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THE Head Office of the Conpany is at Victoria, Hongkong, and Agencies have been opened at the following Ports, where Policies for Marine Risks will be issued unon the usual Terms. At Canton, Messrs Augustine Heard & Co.

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ilso in India, Europe, and America, will be shortly PANY LLMITED. Payment for losses will be made wherever an Agency of the Company exists, in one Month after proof of loss. In addition to the usual Brokerage of 10 (Ten) per cent., a further return of five per cent; upon

Premia paid will be made to all Insurers with the AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co. General Agents. Hongkong, November 10, 1865.

LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION. (Established by Charter 1720.) IHE undersigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Corporation, are prepared to grant PO-CICIES against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandizein thesam

DENT & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 12th April, 1855.

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GILMAN & Co. Hongkong, June 21, 1864.

NORTH CHINA INSURANE

COMPANY. TOTICE is hereby given, that MR CHARLES MAKINTOSH has been appointed Agent to this Company in Hongkong, and will take charge of the affairs of the Company on and after the First of February, 1866.

Messrs GILMAN & Co. will cense to act as Agents, or the Company on the 31st January. The Company's offices are temporarily at Messrs GILMAN & Co.'s, but will shortly be Removed, to their own Premises, in D'Aguilar Street, next door to Mr Douglas Lapraik's. By Order of the Court of Directors,

Secretary. Shanghae, January 16, 1866. Consulting Committee in Hongkong. H. B. Gibb, Esq., (Messrs Gibb, Livingston & Co. William Lemann, Esq., (Messrs Gilman & Co.

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NOTICES OF FIRMS.

- 19 11 sighong 17 th March; 1862

NOTICE. TROM and after this Date, Mr N. B. DENNY will assume the Management of the Business and Sign the Firm of A. SHORTREDE & Co. Per

A. SHORTREDE & Co. Per G. FALCONER, Executor for the late JAMES KEMP Hongkong, January 22, 1866.

NOTICE. E Interest and Responsibility of MR ELDRED HALTON in our Firm ceased on the 30th June last and MR JAMES PENDER DUCKANSON was admitted a Partner on the 1st July. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, January 11, 1866. NOTICE. NAR G. VON BÜLTZINGSLÜWEN is authorised to sign our Firm per procuration, from this date. Wм MATHIEU & Co.

TR JOHN FRASER is authorised to Sign for VI us by Procuration for the BORNEO COM-

Batavia, 26th December, 1865.

H. W. WOOD Hongkong, 31st October, 1865.

TR GUSTAVE PILLIET is authorized to sign vi our Firm per procuration from this date. ED. RENARD & Co. Saigon, 1st June, 1865.

NOTICE. THE Interest and Responsibility of MR GEORGE A. ARCHER, in our Firm ceased on the 30th SMITH, ARCHER & Co.

Hongkong, July 3, 1865. THE Business of the Undersigned, as PUBLIC I TEA INSPECTOR and COMMISSION AGENT A this Port, will from this date be carried on under the

style of Kinneau & Co. W. B. KINNEAR. Foochow, January 1, 1865.

MR HENRY SMITH has this day been admitted a Partner in our Firm, which now consists of MR JAMIESON ELLES MR ED-MUND PYE and MR HENRY SMITH. ELLES & Co. Amoy, July 1, 1865.

NOTICE. have this day established myself at this Port as MERCHANT and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT. under the Firm of LINCKER & Co. ...

A. G. LINCKER. Swatow, 1st July, 1864. THE Interest and Responsibility in our Firm o MR ROBERT RICHARD WESTALL and RANDAL HUMPSTON CHAMBERS

ceased on 31st Ultimo, and MR WILLIAM HAR-GREAVES is this day admitted a Partner. Our Partners in China now are MR WILLIAM HARGREAVES, MR ROBERT BRAND and MR JUSTUS WILLIAM HENRY ESCHERICH. SMITH, KENNEDY & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1866. MIHE Interest and Responsibility of ROBERT JAMES FARBRIDGE, ROBERT MUIRHEID REDDIE, deceased), and JAMES WHITLOW, in our Establish ments in China, ceased Yesterday, and To-day we have admitted as Partners therein CRIDLAND WIL-LIAM FARBRIDGE, JOSEPH FARBRIDG'S HOLLIDAY, RICHARD ROWETT, and JOSEPH PERROTT BARNES.

Hongkong, January 1, 1866.

NOTICE. TATE have this day established ourselves at this Port under the firm of DEETJEN VON BERGEN as Merchants and Agents.

-HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

ED. DEETJĒN. E. W. VON BERGEN. Hongkong, January 1, 1866.

THE Interest and Responsibility of MR THOMAS S. ODELL, in our Firm, ceased on the 31st December, 1865 and MR ERNEST DEACON has this day been admitted a Partner.

DEACON & Co. Canton, January 1, 1866.

NOTICE. TOROBATE of the last Will and Testament, JAMES KEMP, litte of Hongkong Deceased, having been granted to the Undersigned, all Persons having CLAIMS against the Estate of said Deceased, are 不弃辩百昧 requested to send in the same to the Undersigned, on or before the 30th day of June next, otherwise they will not be received. And all persons INDEB-TED to the said Estate are hereby requested to pav the amount of their Debts to the Undersigned, with out delay. G. FALCONER.

Hongkong, December 20, 1865.

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Executor.

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AT GALLE, with one of "British India Steam

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Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as

well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transitthrough

the 23rd February, Specie and Parcels until 5 o'clock of the 24th. A Written Declaration of the Contents and Value of the Packages destined beyond Suez is required by the Egyptian Government, and must be furnished by the Shippers to the Agents with the Bills of Lading ; and the Company will not be responsible for any consequence or prejudice which may ensue from an incorrect declaration. Notice.—The Alphee will not take on from Galle

the passengers and cargo from Calcutta, Madras, &c.

special steamer having been provided to proceed

from these places direct to Suez. For particulars respecting Freight and Passage apply at the Company's Office, Queen's Road. A. CONIL. Hongkong, February 7, 1866.

NOTICE.

THE following Cases are still unclaimed and are lying in the "Messageries Imperiales" Parcel Room, at the risk and Expense of the Consignees, who are requested to take immediate delivery: From Marseilles.— B (in diamond), . . 1 Case Books. J. L. & Co., No. 11 . 1 do. Glass Ware. Puscole Pustovethy, . l do. Preserves.

E. S. (in triangle) F. A. D., . } 5 Chs. Merchze. F.A. D. 716, 1472/3, 102, . 4 Chs. Merchze. From Bombay. l Case Merchze. F. E. No. 2, A. CONIL.

Hongkong, January 31, 1866.

The China Mail.

IONGKONG, THURSDAY, 22nd FEBRUARY, 1866

MARRIABES. At St John's Cathedral, Hongkong on the 17th February, by the Reverend John Wilson, Acting Colonial Chaplain, Robert Inglis France, of Shanghae, to Miss

Found Drowned on the 17th February, Andrew Drummond, late Seaman of the Ship Spray of the Ocean On Board H. M. S. Melville, on the 20th of February, MICHAEL RONAN, Stoker H. M. S. Rifleman.

WE learn from Canton that the New Year's holidays have passed off there and at to Whampoa without any of the customary disturbances.

as holding the city of Kiz-ying-chow, in let all particulars be endorsed on the back, the North-east of Kwangtung, and as and on each new endorsement let the stamp threatening Ch'aou-chou-fu, are stated to of the office be affixed. Even Chinese have recently evacuated the first-named cunning would be puzzled to falsify a place, which was reoccupied by the Imperial forces on the 9th instant, and to have advanced upon the District city of Tung-shun, about 25 miles North-east of Ch'ao-chow-fu, which city it was apparently their design to attack about the Chinese New Year. As they have now approached so near the coast, it may be that they will pay our friends at Swatow a visit; though as a rule these unwieldy bands of pillagers have taken the best of care to edge away from too dangerous proximity to the sea-board. Should Ch'aochow-fu appear too strong to invite attack, the only course that williremain open to this forlorn vestige of Tai-pingdom will be a foray over the mountains into Fukien, since, by evacuating Kiaying-chow, they have enabled the Impetion to be soon accomplished, by the betrayal of a few of the leaders to the Imperial authorities, and the dispersion of the bulk of the force to their homes.

Evening Mail, Feb. 21.

1x addition to the intelligence we published in the Evening Mail of yesterday with respect to the evacuation of Kia-ying-chow by the rebels on the 9th instant, we have further learned that their movement took place in consequence of the death of their of the scheme to the Registration agents leader, Wang Hai-yang, entitled the K'ang would be afforded by the compulsory regu-Wang (康王), who was killed by a stray shot while on the wall of the city. This is an important gain to the Imperialists, as the deceased leader was the last of the T'ai-p'ing chiefs, and a man of energy and some ability. It was he who, together with the Shih or Sze Wang (侍王) captured Chang-chow-fu near Amoy about fifteen months ago; and after the forced evacuaton of that city the rebel bands under Wang Hang-yang became the last remaining representatives of Tai-ping-dom. The Shih Wang himself was murdered by Wang Hai-yang shortly after the latter had established himself in the city of Chên-p'ing, on the North-eastern frontier of this Province. His adherents have now, it is said, divided into three parties, each about ten thousand strong (all told), moving in different directions. Want of provisions has probably impelled them to this suicidal course.

WITH reference to the subject of Registration of Native Servants on which we some time since addressed our readers we must confess ourselves somewhat disappointed at having met with so little response to our request that correspondents would favour us with their opinions. Three letters only | Hongkong held its annual high Carnival, have been addressed to us, one of which assisted by willing friends from Canton, alone merits much attention, and that more from the way in which the writer draws days all business has been suspended—a attention to the importance of the subject than from any suggestions he offers to the little in the mornings, but the hollow debetter management of a class heretofore happily described by an English authoress as "The greatest plague in life." Believ. afternoon of Wednesday caused a little ing as we do however that the subject is of |commotion, but our respected Postmaster- third place. At the bottom turn Sir Wilthe greatest importance not only for our General appeared to us to be the only perdomestic comfort, but also in the bearing son whose sufferings in consequence thereof it has on the widely-spread system of rob- were really acute. bery and peculation which prevails in our present inconveniences, for the criticism "Happy Valley." It tells too sad a tale, former article.

service or apparent good conduct on the should be removed as far as possible from part of a "boy" affords against ultimate those of burial. dishonesty. Our remarks do not to much The capital band of the 9th Regiment is more especially to this class that we number of naval officers and persons con-

vinced would eventually be of the greatest | invitations had been given; and as each world and the adjacent ports.

is: +"Supposing a Registry office were established, and a certificate of Registry given to each entry, the boys and coolies objection by the following plan.

Let the photograph of each applicant be obtained on payment of a suitable sum. The rebels, whom we recently reported taken on a sheet some 6 inches square, and record of this description. Cases might occur of course in which justice might be baffled but they would be extremely rare. Besides, the Agent or Registrar might fairly be supposed to have some slight personal knowledge of the applicant, and the police would probably recognize any well known rascal if each "boy" registered and photographed were obliged to present himself -say once a quarter-at the police office. Having thus indicated the means by

which the certificate of registration might be rendered untransferable the next question is, "How can such a system be rendered compulsory without an intrusive surveillance on the part of the authorities?" W would propose that a certain number of icences be granted to respectable men to open Registration Offices :- That each Chinese servant who did not register himself within a certain period of the establishment rialists to concentrate a preponderating of the system or his arrival in the colony force upon their rear. We should not be be punished by a heavy fine or imprisonsurprised were the usual form of pacifica- ment. No doubt occasional inconveniences would arise but the additional security thus afforded to the public at large would amply compensate for their disadvantages. -As to the cost of the proposed system, the charge of one dollar to each servant and of two dollars to any person engaging his services would amply cover the expenses in the way of photographing. Duplicate copies of each certificate being kept at the Registration office, another security would be thus afforded against fraud on the part

> lation which obliged every servant to avail himself of it. Such a scheme as that we have described would be a boon not only to Hongkong but to Canton and Macao only. The most feasible way of commencing work would be for some two or three persons, having obtained the signatures of the chief residents as a sign of their approval of the scheme (not as implying anability to subscription), | first part of the race but was eventually. Meteor. to present a memorial to the Government praying that license be granted them to open Registration offices and that an ordinance be passed compelling all Chinese servants to registrar themselves before a certain date.

of the bearers; whilst the monitary success

THE third performance of the Garrison mile. Amateur Theatrical Society took place this evening. We have already spoken in such favorable terms of this entertainment that we have nothing to add to the opinion formerly expressed. We can only say that the very decidedly above the mere range of mateur theatricals.

AGAIN has the European Community of Shanghae and elsewhere. For the last three pretence has been made by some of doing a lusion was too transparent to deceive even themselves. The arrival of the Mail on the

Hongkong, we return to its consideration be selected for our races than that pretand offer a more complete scheme to obviate tiest but, most melancholy of all; the of the public, than space permitted in our and is teeming with too mournful memories | Promised Land, to make it a fit place for amusement, and A case of house robbery, reported in our it seemed to us that the primeval granite Cour de Lion. police columns a few days ago, in which the frowned down from every height upon our Impostor. servant of a well-known resident clergyman | descration of a place sacred to the dead. was supposed to be implicated, affords ad. Balls are not held in charnal houses, and ditional proof of how little guarantee long we do think that scenes of amusement

affect those whose compradores have "gone | was on the ground each day and its livesecurity" for the servants they have intro- ly music agreeably filled up the intervals beduced. But so large a proportion of our tween the races. The general arrangements fellow colonists is now composed of profes- were well carried out and, so far as we signal men that it becomes important that know, no accident has occurred to mar those who are not "employed by a com- the general pleasure. One improvement prador as the Chinese term it should have | might perhaps be suggested for the consisome means devised whereby they might deration of the race committee at future stand a fair chance of obtaining respectable | meetings. Owing to the presence of the Chinese for their household work; and it many ships now in port a considerable

appeal to help us in our endeavour to nected with the mercantile marine fallen behind. Exeter who had third place establish a system which we are fully con were on the ground to whom no specific benefit to all residents in this part of the house or club had its own particular tiffin laid out, many of the gentlemen we allude The first and most feasible objection with | to were obliged to dispense with anything which we are met on talking of this matter in the shape of food or drink or were under the necessity of asking for hospitality. This we are bound to say was never refused, the most courteous feeling having been shewn would lend or make over their certificates | by every one, but it would have been more to any secundrel who would pay enough to comfortable for the univited had some autempt them, or to any friend whom they thorized party been permitted or perhaps wished to oblige." We would obviate this encouraged to put up a luncheon tent where everything in moderation might have been

Most of our readers know what sort of aspect is presented by the road to the Races on Derby day. Those who can recall its exciting recollections will doubtless remember how often they wondered "where all the carriages came from?" In a small way there is room for a similar wonder even n Hongkong, whilst the number of chairs which the colony at large possesses is a perfectly bewildering sight to those who are new to the place. Wonderful to say the Chinamen seem even to be inoculated with love for sport, and a very respectable number of pigtailed spectators added their groan-like applause to the cheers which greeted the victors in each race. Altogether the whole of Hongkong has kept heliday for the last three days, and is now sady reflecting that the mail is just in and that to-morrow morning work must begin in earnest. We subjoin below a general account of the three days running followed by a tabular statement shewing the position occupied by the horses brought to the post in each race.

> HONGKONG RACES. FIRST DAY.

Tuesday, 20th February, 1668. 1st. Race—The Wong-nei-Chong Stakes, for all Ponies; 13 hands and under. Weight

Former Winners of this Race Entrance \$5 each, with \$50 from the Fund. Once round. Position (within Entries. distance post.) - 1 Cœur de Lion.

2 Truant 3 Skittles. Black Prince. Time 2 m. 7 sec.

Skittles started badly being some lengths behind the others. ahead near the Black Rock but was unable to pass the others. Gaur de Lion won by Mango bolted having about two lengths. thrown his rider:

2nd. Race-The Canton Cup, presented by the Mahomedan Community, for Arabs only. Weight 10st. Former Winners to carry 7lbs. extra. Entrance \$10 to go to the

Position (within Entries. distance post.) 1 Early Purl. 3 Lord Lyon

Lord Lyon made the winning during the Cromwell passed by both the others; after the first round Early Purl took and kept the lead winning a slow race by four lenghts.

3rd. Race-The Pony Welter, for all Ponies. -13 hands, 9st. 7lbs. Give or take 7lbs. for every inch under or over. Entrance \$5 each, with \$50 from the Fund. One

Position (within distance post.) 2 Brinjarra (rider fell) Time 3 m. 11 sec.

4th. Race-The German Cup. value 200 scenery and acting reflect the greatest credit | Guineas, presented by the German Comon all concerned, while the orchestra was munity, for all Horses. Entrance \$10. Weights: Arabs, 9st.; Colonial Horses, under 5 years, 10st., 5 years and upwards, 10st. 4lbs.; English Horses, under 5 years, 11st., 5 years and upwards 11st. 7lbs. Onemile-and-a-half.

Position (within Entries. distance post.) 1 Sir William: 2 Traveller. -3 Pomerous (broke down) Young Babylonian. Time 2 m. 57 sec. 3

In this race Ramornie and Young Babulonian pulled up after once round the course. At the first turn Traveller and Sir William were leading side by side, Pomeray taking liam drew ahead and held his own winning by about 9 or 10 lengths.

5th. Race-The Northern Plate, value, We could wish that some other spot might | \$100, for China Ponies only. Weights as per scale. Entrance \$10 to go to the Fund Position (within Entries. distance post.) 1 Promised Land. (late Jerusalem.) (late Terusalem.)

> Time Im. 51 sec. Promised Land took the lead at starting and maintained it throughout, having at one time a close run with Truant. He won

a good race by about two lengths.

2 Truant.

6th Race - The Parsee Cup, value \$250, presented by the Parsee Community, for all Horses, English excepted. Weights: Arabs, 10st.; Stud-breds, 10st. 7lbs.; Colonials, 11st. 4lbs. Entrance \$10. One-

mile-and-a-quarter. Position (within Entries. distance post. Exeter. Exeter.2 Pons Aslnor in. 3 Scamp.

This was a very exciting race. led off but before going once round had

then began to pull ahead and after a display by a Subscriber, for Arabs only. Weight of capital jockeyship on the part of his rider | 10st. Entrance \$10 each. The Winner of won the race by a short head. Pathfinder the Canton Cup excluded. One-mile-anddid not start. Scamp was a better third | a-half. than many had anticipated.

7th. Race - The Subscription Cup, presented, -value £100 for all Manila and China Ponies. Entrance \$5. Weights as per scale. Winners at the Meeting 7lbs. extra. Twice round and a distance.

Position (within distance post.) 1 Rob Ray. 2 Cromwell. 3 Meteor. Cœur de Lion.

Time 4 m. 34 sec. On passing the post the first round, Rob Roy was fourth; he remained in this position till nearly entering the straight run when he drew ahead and challenged Cromwell who was leading. After a most exciting race Rob Roy was the winner by about a nose-Meteor and Cour de Lion being dis-

SECOND DAY:

Wednesday, 21st February, 1866. 1st. Race-The Scurry Stakes, for Ponies. Catch Weights. Entrance each, with \$50 from the Fund. Last Pony to pay second Pony's entrance. Half-a-

Position (within distance post.) 1 Stein Bille. 2 Brinjarra. 3 Skittles.

After a bad start on the part of Skittles and Impostor, Stein Bille, took the lead which he maintained throughout winning

2nd. Race—The Challenge Cup, value 500 Guineas, for all Horses, Entrance \$10 Arabs, 9st.; Colonials, under 5 years, 10st. 5 years and upwards, 10st. 4lbs.; English Horses, under 5 years, 11st., 5 years and upwards, 11st. 71bs. Horses bred on the Contiment or in America from Blood Stock to carry weight as English Horses. allowance for Mares, Geldings or Half-bred Horses. To be won two years consecutively by a Horses the bona fide Property of the

Two miles. same Owner. Position (within Entries distance post.) 1 Exeter. 2 Sir William Sir William.

Haddington.

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Time 2 m 541 sec. Haddington was the favorit for this race until the morning of the trial when the hopes of his backers began to fall a little, a report being circulated that he was unwell At the start Sir William and Haddington led for some distance, but at the bottom turn Sir William drew ahead Exeter following closely. They remained in this position till coming to the straight when Exeter began to pull ahead; just at the distance post a wonderful speed on the part of Exeter brought him in first by ten lengths both horses being ridden in the most capital manner. Fir William came in about six lengths ahead of Huddington.

3d Race. The Steward's Cup, for Po-Weights: Arabs, 10st., 71bs.; Straits, Manila, China and Japan, under 13 hands, 8st., over 13 hands, 8st. 10lbs. All others, Entrance \$5. One mile-and-a-quar-

Position (within Entries distance post.) 1 Rob Roy. 2 Cromwell.

This was a most exciting race the winner only coming in by about half a length Cromwell being two lengths behind of Meteor The race was well contested throughout, and it was difficult to judge who would be the victor from the way the running was

Position (within distance post.) 1 Hadii. 2 The Castle. Time 3 m. 20 sec.

5th. Race—The Roadster's Plate, value \$150, for all Horses not entered for any Cup during the Meeting. Catch Weights. Entrance \$5 each. Half-a mile.

Position (within distance post.) Nugget ?2 Colonist.

Time 0m. 57 sec.

Sir Moses led off Nugget following; at the turn the latter pulled a head and after a flort hunt with Co'onist who was close behind won easily by about ten lengths. Sir Moses was distanced.

6th. Race-The Broker's Cup, value \$500, for all Horses. Entrance \$10. Weights: Arabs, 9st.; Colonials, 4 years, 9st. 5lbs., 5 years, 10st., aged, 10st. 4lbs.; English, 4 years, 10st. 8lbs., 5 years, 11st. 6lbs., aged 11st., 10lbs. One-mile-and-three-quarters. Position (within Entries

distance post.) $oldsymbol{1}$ Traveller: 2 Pons Asinorum ${\it Pons}~{\it Asinorum}$ 3 Pathfinder.

Time 3 m. 27 sec.

Traveller continued second until turn when he shewed first closely followed by Pons Asinorum, Pomeroy, Scamp, Lath finder coming up rapidly. They kept well together till the straight Traveller gradually drew ahead and finally won by two two lengths three lengths separating fors Asin rum and Pathfinder.

7th. Race—The Galloway Stakes, for all Galloways, 14 hands and under. Entrance \$5 each, with \$75 added from the Fund 14 hands, 10st. 5lbs. allowed for evey inch under. One-mile.

Position (within distance post. Sultan. 3 Rajah.

Sultan took second place till nearing the distance post when he rushed to the front and only two lengths, there being the same distance between the second and the third.

> THIRD DAY. Thursday, 22nd February, 1866.

1st. Race-The Ladies' Purse, for al Ponies that have run at this Meeting to be handicapped by the Stewards. Maximum weight 11st. 7lbs. Entrance Fees for Ponies accepting \$5. One mile. Positiøn (within Entries.

distance post.) 2 Cromwell 3 Briniarra Brinjarra. Time 2 m. 6 sec.

The Ladies' Purse was won by Aga after a pretty close race. The purse was presented by Miss Cubitt who in a neat speech complimented the gentleman who acted as jockey upon his success. Our reporter was unable to catch Mr. Woods' reply, but we presume that he returned thanks in a suitable manner. It was a great pity that Cromwell was started for this race He had been worked hard the two previous days, and he might have been spared the mortification of losing the "Ladies' Purse."

2nd. Race—The Fakei Cup, value \$500, presented by the American Community of was creditable to the Amoy stables, and we Hongkong and Canton for all Horses. regret to have to say that Meteor did not Arabs, 9st.; Colonials, 10st. 4lbs.; English, come up to the expectations of his backers.

4th Race - The St Leger Cup, presented 11st 8lbs. Entrance \$10 each. One-mile

Position (within distance post.) 1 Exeter. P as A sinorum2 Pons Asinorum. 3 Millionaire.

Time 2 m. 241 sec.

Won easily by Exeter who came in some four lengths ahead of the second horse Spider put in an appearance and amused himself with a gallop round the course, but did nothing to speak of in the way of speed being some twenty lengths behind Exeter and Sir William.

3rd. Race—The Valley Stakes, for all Manila and China Ponies. Weight for inches. Former Winners of this Race to carry 7lbs. extra progressively. Entrance \$5 each, with \$50 from the Fund. Once round and a distance

Position (within Entries. distance post.) 1 Rob Roy. Rob Roy.

2 Cromwell 3 Caur de Leon Cœur de Lion! $Promised\ Land.$

Time 2 m. 20 sec.This was won by Rob Rou who took the lead at an early period, closely contested by Cromwell, the others being some lengths

4th. Race-The Foochow Cup, value 100 Guineas, presented by the Foochow Community, for all Horses, English Horses Weights: Arabs, 9st. 7lbs.; Stud-breds, 10st. 3lbs.; Colonials, 10st. 10lbs. Three Horses from opposing stables to start or no race. No allowance for Mares or Geldings. Entrance \$10. From the

Black Rock twice round and in. Position (within distance post.)

1 Pathfinder.

2 Traveller. 3 Early Purl. Early Purl. Time 4 m. $26\frac{1}{2}$ sec. Traveller led off till approaching the straight, when Pathfinder overhanled him

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6th. Race—The Shanghae Cup, value 100 Guineas, presented by the Shanghae Community, for all Horses. To be handicapped by the Stewards after the Foochow Cup. Entrance \$10. Two miles.

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THIRD DAY.

TABULAR RETURN OF THE RACES FOR 1866.

SECOND DAY.

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LONDON, January 10th, 1866. should very much like to have seen Mr Horatio Nelson Lay when he took up appreclated now that his hand is cold in death. gram announcing that the Inspector Gemeral of Customs at Shanghae had been pected clap of thunder in a clear sky; some of them liking the thunder, and otherss being extremely disgusted with it. In the absence of all further intelligence on the. subject such a dismissal appears quite inexplicable. It can hardly be that the Chibreak up the Maritime Customs Service en- | for a time the repose which he had so well earned, athird of the revenue which they get at the English burying ground of Hongkong. present from Foreign Commerce. Moreover, without that service they would be constantly harassed by a portion of the Foreign community, and things would go on calculated to reduce some portions of the country to a state of anarchy. It may be they imagine that they can fall back on a lower class of Englishmen than those at gorous Society is in a very flourishing conpresent in the Customs, and can leave the collection of dues to be managed by in

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CAPTURE OF PIRATE JUNKS, &c.,

(From the Daily Press.)

BY H. M. S. OPOSSUM.

The recent cruise of the Opossum has been at-

tended with very brilliant results. Lieut. St John

her commander, has in one week, captured sixteen

irate village and liberated twenty seven captives .-

week's work to be proud of, indeed. Our rea-

ders will remember that a few da s ago we reported

the arrival of the Opossum at Macao with the in-

to go out for a cruise. He did not at that time know

of any projected operations on the part of the pirates

and intended simply to look round and see what

was going on. His fires were no sooner up, how-

ever, than some of the native merchants sent off to

inform him that a number of pirate junks were lying

stood the village guarded by a battery of three guns,

land anchored off it, lay the piratical junks, fifteen

heavily. In all they carried forty-three guns, most

of them 18-pounders. They were manned by 200

men, and it must be acknowledged were not a bad

match for one boat with only three guns on board.

manued by about seventeen or eighteen Europeans.

even though these were British seamen. Lieut. St.

junks, to do the same. The whole two hundred

scrambled on shore, and made off into the interior,

leaving the vessels a prey to the gunboat. Lieut. St

John landed with a small party of men from the gun-

boat, and while he was on shore, as we understand,

the explosion took place on board one of the junks by

which the warrant officer of the Opossum was wound-

ed. He was engaged setting fire to the vessel when

a jar of powder standing on the deck took fire.

There was no explosion in the ordinary sense of the-

the gunner was burnt by flame of the powder, and by

hov who was with him jumped overboard and escap-

ed with, but few injuries, but the gunner could not

swim and had to run on in the junk. A marine was

wounded in another explosion while setting fire to a

junk which had been hauled up on shore. After the

work had been performed, when the pirates were all

destroying their craft, a fleet of forty Mandarin junks

of Paksui, and were coming down this time in force.

The one English gunboat however had accomplished

the task out of hand, and there was nothing left for

the Chinese but to proft by the victory. They land-

ed 1,60 men and burnt the village, and Lieut. St.

John handed over to them the greater number of the

captured junks and guns after having destroyed the

rest. He then went to Macao, and sent back his

hoisted. Her Majesty's small ship Opossum, on board

altogether if she had, the proper machinery. This

junk it was at once recognised as the vessel of which

the gunboat, on information received, was in search.

When she was stopped, her owner was prepared with

all the documents necessary to prove him a most res-

poetable trader, only carrying guns for his own protec-

tion, but it happened that Lieut. St. John had on board

Mandarins. By them he was recognised as a man

of great influence on the west coast. He and his

to doubt the fate that awaits them. The captives we

a succession of smaller explosions which followed.

That is no material were thrown about, and

They were all armed, some of them

at a place called Pak-shui, on the west coast, a little and who is understood to be so much liked Lay there were sufficient grounds for his siderable Museum of the sculls of ship-John came in so that as he ran down on the junks dismissal. With him it was neck or wrecked mariners. they were end on to him, and their guns being all nothing; he either required to leave the in the broadside, consequently useless. As soon as | Chinese service, or to succeed in his coup he come within range, he opened a flank fire on the d'etat; and, having failed in the latter of battery, and in a very short time, its defenders clear- course be had to walk. It is not likely ed out. This was the signal for the men in the that Mr Hart has followed so perilous an example; and it is to be hoped he will return to his post in even a stronger position than before. Let me quote here a passage in regard to this gentleman from an official letter, to Mr Secretary Seward. dated Peking July 5th, 1864, from Mr

Burlingham United States Minister China:—"Mr Hart is from Belfast. Ireland, and graduated with high honours from one of the first British colleges. He is a man of most excellent character, and unusual administrative abilities. The man selected by him, as far as possible, are of the first class. If he shall continue at the head of the service, I do not see why the Chinese government will not put other nations behind it in the quality of its cusout of the way and the Opossum was busily engaged | toms force." And, in commenting on this letter, Mr Seward, dating from Washingcame round the point. It seemed that the Imperial ton, says. "The friendly spirit towards men of war had been twice beaten off by the pirates | the United States manifested in the proposition made by the Inspector General of Customs in China merits an effort on our part to justify the confidence reposed in

I hear that Her Majesty's Government intend to appoint an officer of the Engineeds to go out to China and Japan. in order to report on the accommodation for wounded men to Hongkong. During the whole of the various consulates, and to superintend Monday he remained at Macao, but Tuesday morning the erection of new buildings where these saw him down the west coast again. On Wednesday off a place called I-mum he fell in with a large | are required. It is rumoured that this apheavely armed junk, about thirty feet longer then the pointment will be given to Captain Cross-Opossum, carrying eight guns (one 50 cwt. one 30 cwt. | man who has already distinguished himself and the others 12 pounders), big enough to have in connection with the construction of some

: The unexpected death of your editor Mr James Kemp has been a source of pain to all his Anglo-Chinese friends in this country. It seems to me but yesterday when I his hopes of paying off the national debt out of first saw Kemp in Hongkong, in the latter | increased gin, whisky or beer drinking. end of 1860, soon after his arrival in China. How full he was then of health, of strength. the Chinaman, who really owned the vessel. She had sion of her, who had never afterwards accounted for one who had seen us together as we went her to his owner, but had turned pirate instead. over the hills on the mainland near Hong-When confronted with the Chinese merchants on kong; and Kemp astonished the Chinese board the Opossum, he saw that his game had been | by diving into deep mountain pools and "played out," and resigned himself to his fate with threatening never to come up again, while Asiatic fortitude. He made no further attempts to I sat in my chair, would have imagined defend himself either by arguments or physical force, that I should be called on to write on oband together with forty companions was conducted tuary notice of him, as I have done in the by the Opossum, to Quang-hei and given over to the Scotsutan of yesterdays as follows:

spoke of above were released at Pak-shui before the fortnightly mail, announce the death, on the 17th of monetaty philosopher. November, of Mr James Kemp, a native of Edin Such exploits as these, must have a tendency to | burgh, and editor and proprietor of the China Mail. diminish the prosperity of the piratical professions, Mr Kemp was a parochial schoolmaster in Scotland though of course we must not expect that even many for a short period, during which he contributed some such will put an end to attempts on vessels leaving | peculiar but racy articles to the Stirling Journal and this harbour. While the pirate has so much in his other newspapers. He went out to Hongkong favor, there is no reason to suppose that even if the head-master of St Andrew's School, an institution trade be made more hazardous than it is now, it | that place originated by the late Mr Scortrede for would be abandoned. Piratical junks may come and | the education chiefly of the children of Europeans go in this harbor as they please, and no questions are | and | Asiatic Portuguese; but he immediately comasked them. While every harmless British or other | menced contributing to the China Mail, of which he European vessel is bound under heavy penalties, to soon became editor, and finally proprietor-becoming explain herself at the harbor master's office within a possessor also of the Hongkong Evening Mail, and short period after her arrival, native crafts are exempt | of the large business connected with these two from the necessity and are free of the port as if they publications. The complicated and arduous duties owned it. There is nothing to prevent Chinese from thus devolving upon him were discharged with establishing a piratical firm with chief offices in the singular ability, which, in one so young, gave high Queen's Road, and the vessels of partners lying off | promise for his future; and during his short career the praya, ready to set sail whenever the departure | in the East he rendered important service to the of a weakly armed merchant ship might make it | public interests. In many lucid and forcible articles, he gave valuable independent support to the policy worth their while to put to sea. Whether there are which, as followed by Sir Frederick Bruce at Pekin, any such firms in existence we do not know, but we Mr Hart at Shanghae, and Colonel Gordon in the field resulted in the complete suppression of the great thing for the pirate junks to lie in this harbor, wait-Taeping Rebellion, the strengthening of the Imperial viously "spotted." We are wasting the energies of Government, and the restoration of China to a state our seamen in sending them up and down the coast, of comparative order and peace. It was in great part owing to two articles by Mr Kemp, afterwards after the buccaneers, if our own harbor regulations permit pirate junks to anchor almost within hail of published as a small pamphlet under the title of "A Rock ahead in China," that the Lay and Osborn scheme—which would have thrown the command the relationship between England and China into the hands of irresponsible private individuals, objectionable both to the Celestials and to the Britsh community-was defeated for these articles not only gave expression to the opinion of the British merchants, but also, being translated to Tseng Kwofan, the most influential Mandarin of the Empire. excited the alarm of the Pekin Government. for the first time given to the residents the same time, Mr Kemp exposed Chinese defects unsparingly, and treated local abuses with unfailing humour and good temper. Without reaching too high a level for newspaper matter, everything he wrote was exceedingly readable, being characterised by a freshness and originality which will be better the Times of yesterday and head the tele- particular we may refer to a series of about sixty papers, somewhat after the fashion of the "Noctes. Ambrosiance," entitled Voices from the Verandah," dismissed by the Chinese without cause and hitting off Anglo-Chinese life-papers which, assigned. This announcement must have with not a little that is trivial, contain sufficient came upon several people like an unex- eloquence and humour to have excited attention had they been published in some great literary begun to tell upon him severely of late. He was only thirty-four years old, and was on the point of

pological Society of London, delivered a few days ago, Dr James Hunt made a kind and complimentary reference to its local Secretary at Amoy who was drowned accidentally last year. This young and vidition. It has now more than 600 members. representing an income of above £1,200 in the absence of explanations; but if this the science of man it publishes a quarterly Liberty. It seems very questionable whether the to me on the occasion of the new year."

serious and ungrateful error. The collec- with it an "Anthropological Review" and tion of outside customs could not be "The Popular Magazine of Anthropology." worked provincially, and without the hear- Mr Carter Blake, the Curator of the Muty support of Her Majesty's Government seum, is exceedingly anxious to get skulls and of Her representatives in China. Sir from China belonging to the different va-Rutherford Alcock has powers in his hand rieties of the human race in that country. which would enable him, in such a case, So far as I remember there is not a single Celestial cranium in the Society's collecmen to serve the Chinese Government, and tion. He is particularly desirous to pro-

gols. Perhaps some of your readers may or through the few uneducated and des- have sufficient interest in science, when perate European or American rowdies that opportunities occur, to secure some such might be at their service. The thing is specimens, and send them to 4. St Martin's absurd and, surely, it can not be that they Place, London. Even a few specimens of have any personal objection to Mr Hart, ordinary Chinese craniums would be very who has already done them so great service, acceptable, care being taken to note the place of birth, sex and age. Let the ardent beyond Macao. In that direction therefore he by Prince Kung and others. If they have lover of science who devotes himself to the beyond management and yesterday week flushed the birds he dismissed him without very grave and suf- difficult and dangerous task of procuring up, and did not deliver him into the hands of his was in search of. At the head of a small creek | ficient reasons, it is not likely that any | sculls of the Formosan aborigines beware, | enemy. Englishman, American and Frenchman of but instead of adorning the shelves of the one of them a 55 cwt-gun throwing a 24 lb. shot, character in the service would take his Anthropological Society with a few new place for ten times the money which he specimens of the human caput, his own has been receiving. On that ground, also, scull is not scooped out and preserved as a the support of the British Foreign office drinking cup by the Anthropothagi of Formight be withdrawn from the Custom's | mosa; for these people are said to have a service, on which the whole affair would | certain fondness for the brains of Eurovery soon go to smash. In the case of Mr | peans as an article of diet, and have a con-

From our LONDON Correspondent.

LONDON, 10th January, 1866 In a very short time Parliament will meet and we shall soon know the intentions of Ministers and opposition, and in the meantime we may almost take a respite from political considerations; there is no change in the matter of reform that we know of, we told that Earl Russell will perhaps adopt a £10 franchise for counties and £6 for towns, and that few if any redistributions of seats will be attempted this session, but all this is little more than guesswork; what is certain is that the ultraliberals are not rising against Mr Bright's moderation, and that the conservatives will not regard that same moderation with any

Another rumour is that a considerable reduction 5.000 men, which would in fact be equivalent almost to doing away with all military for home ser-Some say that two companies will be taken off from each battation in the whole army, while the more prohable assertion is that it is the home battalion only

The best bit of news, and it is real news, is, that Mr. Gladstone's estimated loos of four millions by reductions will not amount to a third of that sum: in other words that the chancellor of the Exchequer will actually have another surplus of two and a half millions Sterling. Talk of the rest of the Income tax being taken off is already about. But Mr Gladstone is likely to have enough to do with his money for a time at least, if what is said about the Austrian tarif treaty be true; by this treaty the duty on Hungarian wines is, we are told, reduced to a shilling a gallon without reference to strength or form of imports, and this will carry with it the lowering of the duty on French wines to the same rate. If such be the case and, I believe it to be so. Mr Gladstone will have a fine battle with the malsters, brewers. and distillers, English, Scoth and Irish who will want good slices of his millions. No increased trade will make up the deficiency in that instance and a reforming chancellor of the exchequer can hardy build

Mr Denison will be proposed for re-election as speaker by Mr Mounsell and seconded by Earl Grosit seems been entrusted to the man now found in posses- of cheerful spirit and of high hopes! no venor, and no opposition is expected. The address is to be moved by Lord F. Cavendish M.P., for the West Riding, and seconded by Mr Graham M.P., for

tion: the real fact being, I believe, that financiers | the name of Temple. are alarmed at the enormous number of bubble ith the greatest temerity, and excessive rates fall the dispatches, pro. tem. DEATH OF MR JAMES KEMP. - We regret to notice | heaviest on the most legitimate borrowers. However crew will be sent on to Canton, and there is no reason | that the Hongkong papers brought by a steamer of | the Bank is bound by Peel's law and general con- | shipwreck says that 444 persons were rescued last | their way out, a fifth is ordered, with all the most the Messageries, Imperiales, in advance of the usual siderations, and cannot assume the character of year by the life boats on our coasts, 182 other lives | recent improvements, and a sixth is actually being

The Board of Trade returns for November are even better than those for October, we know now that the trade of the year just concluded was larger than ever known before, in a short time we shall have the De cember, returns when we shall know what was the excess of trade in 1864. The East partakes largely in this increase of which Cotton cloths is one of the

resent, the last of the leaders has been condemned to five years imprisonment, and the government dis- been destroyed. It is feared that it was the work dains to rush matters further with the smaller fry, of incendiaries. the miserable instruments of ignorant, vain, plotters are ignorant and vain. Great precautions are being & Co. is said to be one of the finest vessels ever which the Lord Lieutenant and his lady were train the end of February. She belongs to James Tullock, veiling the other day was fired at and the engineer | Esq , and is to be commanded by Captain A. H would have been shot had the ball not struck the Taylor late of the City of Aberdeen.

rail of the engine. The Japanese commissioners have made excellent use of their time in this country; the three weeks they have spent here have been very laboriously and profitably spent, not in theatres or other places of amusement but in down right business places. They went to Woolwich Dockvard, examined the Prince Albert and Brack Eagle lying there; visited the Army and Navy Club; the Times office, the Bank of England and the Mint—the last three all in one day, a tough job as any country cousin will tell you: on another day they went over the Blackely ordipance works, the Royal Exchange, the Tower and the London Docks; on the next, they visited Chelsea hospital, the military asylum, and the Metropolitan. underground railway; on the day after that they went to Portsmouth, and visited the Royal Alfred the same day; the next day was devoted to Ports- setting an example to the world, and all that bail iron clad vessels the Minotaur and the Scorpion; next day, Hilsea barracks, Southwick and Gosport : attention. from Portsmouth they went to Plymouth and visited famous breakwater, Raglan barracks and the bridge been enough to make the very hearts of tailors at Saltash. On the 28th they were back at the mantua-makers and ladies maids leap into their the following day they visited the Houses of Par- excuse for an uniform, and the tailoring of the Emliament, Westminster Abbey and, on the next, the l-pire beats that of the spectacle theatre hollow : it is Penitentiary at Milbank and Williamson's famous | true that there is a want of repose, a want of tone. sword factory. On New Year's day they left again | manliness, in the appearence of the groups which put for Ipswich and visited the great agriculture ma- you rather in mind of the Macaw room at the Zoolochine works there and also the concrete stone com- gical gardens, but then repose is neither a courtly nor \$\pm\$16,000 and upwards. The Empress presented the centre. Mr Kemp was a social favourite, and took pany's works. On the next day they were having a French virtue. with him to China a remarkably strong physique; their photography done in Regent Street, and also but five years of that climate-equal, with his visited the bouth Kensington Museum, the Hortioccupations, to fifteen of ordinary business-had cultural Society's grounds at Kensington and the in diplomacy, wished Louis Napoleon a happy new the 29th of December, his Excellency Shibata Hion. hese authorities are such idiots as to wish to returning to England, with the intention of enjoying ga no Kami gave a splendid banquet at his hotel, at which were present General Sir John Burgovne tirely; for, without it, they could not secure when he was called to sleep in "the Happy Valley," Bart, G. C. B. constable of the Tower, Colonel Sir J. Wilson of Chelsea hospital, General Hutt, Comodore Dunlop and many other officers naval as military. In the anniversary address to the Anthro- | the Secretary of the Bank of England and other gentlemen. The dinner is said to have been a complete success, the affability and gentlemandy bearing of the Japanese Commissioner and his suite being remarked hy all present. On the 3rd instant the Commissioners paid Lord Clarendon a farewell visit at the foreign office, and on the following morning they left

it is said on the 19th instant for Japan. supposition which appears most probable formidable works which it issues regarding the country to the cry of "Esparters Prim and felicitations which it has been good enough to address

movement, and some declare that should the re- its absence, and that was Great Britain! Lord volution be successful general Prim is the man | Cowley was not amongst those who offered his conto snakch a dictatorship. The matter is evidently gratulations to Louis Nopoleon and yet, so low has serious, and flight of the Queen and court would | England fallen in the estimation of the world that surprise no one. To show how daring the opposition | not the slightest notice was taken of the fact ! There is, one of its members M. Figuerola defended the | was no assemblege of the privy council on the occasion rising, in the cortes, and, alluding to the acts which | not the least sign of terror, or pleasure or sorrow! brought the present cabinet into power exclaimed- How is this, that England's absence caused no void, "An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, and cavalry | and raised no storm? for cavalry." We are looking anxiously for news. There is no news of special import from America.

except that the negroes in some parts of the South seem bent upon their own destruction, breaking open trial or release has been demanded in congress, but order of Queen Victoria. · with no result, the pressure is not yet decided enough to warrant the President in setting his late opconent free. Captain Semmes whose ship the Alabama was sunk, it will be remembered, in sight of the French coast has been arrested on the charge of having escaped under cover of a flag of truce. Poor fellow he would have escaped into the next world but for the British yacht which picked him

We have a curious account of the present oc-

cupations of late Northern leaders-Burnside.

superintendent of Colt's factory of arms; W. S. Smith, a grocer: Patrick, a farmer: Ferrero, a dancing master; and Percy Wyndham a fencing naster. If the Southern generals, Buckner Gardiner are on the press; Anderson has been a butcher and is now an auctioneer; Thomas is employed on a Mississipi steamer: Forrest is manager of a saw mill; and Wheeler is a commercial agent. The best news from America is perhaps that o the row amongst the Fenian government, the members of which are calling each other everything but honest men and gentlemen. When such fall out it is astonishing how truth and justice and society at large profit by the fact. It would have been pity if this precions rump Parliament had dissolved before it had an opportunity of proclaining itself fully to the world. Fenianism thanks to the Fenians is one of the least savoury notions affoat. Liar, thief" such like expression, are the characteristics of the sweet intercourse now passing between the gentlemen who govern Ireland-in New

The force of Old Englands navy has just been given as follows:—765 vessels of all classes of which 193 in actual duty and carrying 3,936 guns, not including gun-boats, yachts, tugs, &c. Twenty will be made in the army to the extent it is said of eight vessels were on the stocks at the end of the past year, namely :--- 1 screw plated ships, one plated screw corvette, one other screw vessel, 2 wooden gun boats, armour plated and with turn screw, and 20 other vessels, frigates and other vessels in wood and with screw. This last item must. I think. erroneous. The ships put in commission during the past year were 32, with 509 guns, against 36 with

> The admiralty is said to have purchased Mr apparatus, or his invention, for the destruction ships and batteries. Fresh and more extensive experiments are about to be made with the apparatus, in question. Similar experiments are going on in France and Spain; at Barcelona it is a submerged of the academic council, but reduced the terms feet high, an awkward, if not an imaginary, customer.

Queen Victoria made her little gransdon Prince Victor a truly royal present on new year's day, a silver gilt statue three feet high of the late Prince Albert as "Christian" in "Pilgrim's progress." The work occupied nearly two years in execution. and is said to be an admirable production. Sir Charles Eastlake, President of the Royal Academy and Director of the National gallery died recently at Pisa at the age of 68. He was a native of Plymouth near which Sir Joshna Reynolds was born, and was a pupil of Fuselli and Haydon. Sir Charles was far more remarkable as an art critic than

Lord Palmerston's will has been proved by Mr Cowper: the value of the personal property being £120,000. The Hon. Mr Cowper is the heir to the The Bank has raised its rate to 8 per cent, in property after the death of Lady Palmerston and he consequence it is said for the demand for accomoda- asked, but not compelled, by the will to assume is

Submarine telegraphs are far from perfect yet, ruptures occur constantly, the Malta and Sicily cable | a level with those of other powers; an armour plated The worst notions will always be pushed is now parted and an English man-of-war carrying frigate the Osman Ghadzi, of 36 guns has been the

were saved by fishermen and other, rewarded by the | constructed in the arsenal of Constantinople. society with medals or sums of money.

The cattle disease get worse and worse, the number attacked having risen from 3,828 to 6,054 in a In the first place it offends the Munroe notionand of these 29,700 died, 12,380 were killed by way of precaution, 4,686 only have been cured, and 8,620 remained under treatment at the end of the year. There has been a terrible fire at the Saint The Fenian trials are at an end, at any rate for | Catherine docks-in fact two fires-an immense quantity of Jute. Manila hemp and tallow having

The Sir William Wallace, launched at Aberdeen as silly almost as themselves and as wicked as they on New Year's day, from the yard of Duthie, Sons taken against any further mad attempts and no one | built there. She is a clipper and measures 1,091 can blame the authorities for this; the train in tons and is to leave London for China via Sydney at

> Mr Göschen has accepted the office of Chancella of the Duchy of Lancaster and thus becomes Cubinet Minister! Professor Simpson of Edinburgh has been created a Baronet.

> > From Our PARIS Correspondent.

Paris, 10th January, 1866. The new year has opened very quietly-no coup l'elut, even of the mildest kind, no startling speech, no threats no promises, scarcely a flourish of trumpets And this is not a reason for regret but the contrary the Empire is becoming business like, calm, and giving its principal attention to its leger-which unfortunat requires looking after-and we hear no more of crowning the edifice, leaving the van of civilization mouth dockyard, and the inspection of two of our | usually thrown out to a gaping world, when there is something from which it is well to distract public

The Tuileries was flooded as usual with uniforms the yards there and at Devonport and Kenham, the of all kinds, on new year's day, the sight must have Langham hotel where they put up in London; on | mouths, for every body who goes to court finds some

The Emperor has only made one little speech, that in reply to the Pope's nuncio who, as the elder power. London Fencing Club rooms. On the evening of year. The form of the "homage" paid by the Ambassadors is almost stereotyped, but I give both | eggs have come to hand, address and reply :---

"Sire-The diplomatic corps is happy to revew its very respectful homage on the occasion of the new Year. To this homage, which I have the honour to present in the name of the united deplomatic corps. each of us is anxious to express on this solemn day. the disire which he feels for the happiness of your Majesty of Her Majesty's the Emperor, of the Prince Imperial and of France." The Emperor replied as follows:- "Every year, at the same epoch, we cast a look back upon the past and forward towards the future. Happy is it, when we can, as we may to-day England by way of Dover. They leave Marseilles, felicit each other on having escaped dangers allayed apprehensions, renewed the ties which unite kings A serious outbreak has occurred in Spain, two and peoples. Still more so if the experience of past each province by the provincial authorities | yearly, and its publications are both im- cavalry regiments have raised the rebel flag with events enable us to prophecy long days of peace and according to their old system. This is the portant and interesting: Besides the more General Prim at their head as some say, and scour prosperity! I thank the diplomatic corps for the

There was one power conspicuous on that day by

The simple truth is, Lord Cowley was at Dover and the sea was so rough that the Packet could not cross! A few days afterwards Lord Cowley solicited an interview and waited upon the Emperor, specially, prisons, burning and otherwise exhibiting their ig with the good wishes of Great Britain Ireland and nogant and brutal instincts. Ex President Davies' the town of Berwick upon Tweed as expressed by

As usual a number of promotions in the courtly and military ranks marked the opening of the New Year, between one and two hundred crosses of the egion of honour and about as many military medals were distributed, and several promotions were announced in the legion, the Emperor and Empress could have done little else than receive adulation and bestow smiles and favours, but on the whole the fete seems to have fallen rather flat, and certainly has passed without any remarkable occurrence good, bad

I am sorry to say that the incident mentioned in my last respecting the press has not been followed agent of the Pensylvanian railways; Butlet, a manufacturer: Shaw, correspondent of the New York | by any indications of improved confidence in the Tribune; Pigel, an editor at Baltimore; Franklin, voice of the people—Vox populi, vox dei, is evidently not amongst the Imperial proverbs-on the contrary several journals have felt the weight of the official hand and one or two are now gasping in the agonies of expected death.

On the other hand it is pleasant to be able to record an act of open-justice done in court against andied in the department of the Yonne and left amongst other matters a quantity of manuscript journals containing memoirs of the history of the district written by the deceased sub-prefect. These came to the knowledge of the prefect of the department who claimed them as belonging to the government. The local court gave judgment against the prefect who appealed the case to Paris; but he had no better uccess there, for the first Avocat-general of the court argued that the state had no claim except for public locuments, and moreover that might even retain as his own property any documents received in his official capacity which he might have destroyed without an infraction of his duty, as well as any memoirs drawn up from information obtained by the writer in his official capacity; and the court by its decision, confirmed this liberal interpretation of the

The government has had a bit of an affair with voung France : a certain number of students attended meeting of democratic character in Belgium and thus incurred the displeasure of the university author rities here, the consequence was their suspension from the colleges of France for certain periods. This created a great commution at the Sorbonne the students protesting either by making an uproar in the lecture rooms, or by passive resistance, sitting with their backs to the professor or going into the room to show themselves and immediately walking out again. The police at length took away their cards of studentship from a number of pupils and this expelled them, pro tem: from the university. The other day the pupils appealed to the superior council of instruction which confirmed the decision vessel called the Ictineo which carries guns and when suspension-thus seven young men are excluded it fires one raises a column of water thirty or more | from the colleges one for one year and six for two

> treaty of extradition. It appears that the French authorities consider that the formalities of English law render the treaty ineffective, and it is stated here, officially, that no difference exists respecting the out of the dissimilarity of the judical proceedings of | Stamps. the two countries. It is something new for France to complain of complication in such matters, and it is to be hoped that the lawyers in England will be able to give her satisfaction. It would be a bad job indeed to see each country converted into an asylum for all the thieves and other rascals of the other-Boulogue and Paris and Leicester Squaare have harboured quite vagabonds enough without the jail birds being added in each case.

Some surprise and a little uneasiness were caused

The Sultun seems determined to raise his navy to The report of the Society for saving life from are expected from England, and two are already on

The Americans do not like the new Mexican Empire and they are not likely to grow to like it. week. More than 55,000 have been attacked in all, the most rediculous perhaps that ever stateman put forth, and which is now given up by all thinking men-secondly, it irritates the Americans against France and thus render England more difficult to manage-the playing off of one power against the other having always been the game at Washington. A very plausible and doubtless true reason for the dislike, as far as it goes, has just been declared. It is argued that the new Empire must always be a must be maintained there will force the American government to maintain one at least as large; that the existance of these armies will in ke war extremely probable; and, lastly, that the existance of a large standing army in the States may have a dangerous effect upon the constitution and uponthe relations of the government towards the people. These views are signed by General Grant who adds that should the dignity of the Military profession grow in the eyes of the American people there is no telling what profound modifications may take place in the mode

of government there. The King of the Sandwich Islands has chosen Frenchman M. de Varigny to succeed the late prime minister who was an Englishman, the late and the present ministers were colleagues. A Paris paper says: - " A representative government at the place where Captain Cook was killed and eaten less than a century ago! and some people say, civilization does

The Zouaves who mutinied at Martinique have arrived in Mexico and been received with open arms _that is with fixed bayonets and charged batteries; the Zonaves were marched into a hollow square. ordered to pile arms, separated from the latter by a company marched behind them, and then twenty five of leaders were handcuffed and all confined till the meeting of the court martial, when the prisoners will have to answer for their breach of military law. Another veteran of the first Empire is departed

General Parchappe, grand officer of the legion of honour and member of the corps legislatif, in the eightieth year of his age.

The King and Queen of Portugal decidedly lef their marks behind them in Paris, they gave the servants of the Tuileries a sum equal to £500 and they distributed presents of jewellery to the extent of Queen with her portrait set in diamonds of the

Silk is still scarce in the market of Marseilles and Lyons, and more arrivals eagerly looked for. About three fourths of the two millions of cards of Japanese

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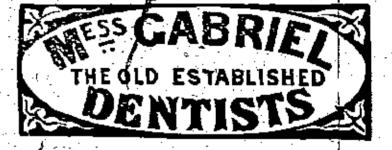
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